# COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR MEDICAID SERVICES

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS), Department for Medicaid Services (DMS), in accordance with 42 CFR 447.205, hereby provides public notice of enhanced reimbursement rates it is implementing for certain preventive and wellness services to be effective for such services provided anytime from January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

The enhanced reimbursement rates will be stated on a fee schedule – the Medicaid Preventive and Wellness Enhanced Fee Schedule – located at: http://www.chfs.ky.gov/dms/fee.htm.

## **Necessity**

DMS is enhancing reimbursement for these services to ensure Medicaid recipient access to such services by providing an incentive for more providers of the services to participate in the Medicaid Program. The reimbursement applies to services provided to Medicaid "fee-for-service" recipients and does not apply to services provided to Medicaid recipients who are enrolled with a managed care organization (MCO) as MCOs are not required to reimburse for services in the same manner as DMS reimburses.

## Fiscal Impact:

DMS estimates that increasing the preventive and wellness reimbursement rates from January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015 will cost DMS approximately \$4.39 million (state and federal funds combined.)

DMS estimates that increasing the preventive and wellness reimbursement rates for the period spanning July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 will cost DMS approximately \$8.78 million (state and federal funds combined.)

### **Public Comment**

A copy of this notice is available for public review at the Department for Medicaid Services at the address listed below. Comments or inquiries may be submitted in writing within thirty (30) days to:

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